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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated October 8, 2004 finally rejecting Claims 1-50.

A form PTO 2038 is enclosed for payment of the appeal fee amount of \$340.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficient or additional fees which may be required to Deposit Acct. No. 16-0657.

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

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This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed October 8, 2004, and consists of the following:

Listing of Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.